

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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GUIDELINES FOR PRIVATE PARTICIPATION FOR IMPROVING WATER SUPPLY

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether any guidelines have been prepared by the Union Government to seek private participation for improving water supply for State/UT Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of State Governments thereto; and

(c) if not, the other measures being taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a): Yes, Sir. Guidelines have been prepared for `Sector Reform and Successful Public Private Partnerships` for improved delivery of urban water & sanitation services in India.

(b): Salient features of the guidelines are:-

- Policy framework/road map for initiating reforms
- Implementation arrangements by State Government, Urban Local Body & Reform Advisers.
- Creating enabling conditions through legal and institutional framework, regulatory mechanism, utility governance structure.
- Selecting and executing Private Sector Participation (PSP) transactions and managing public private partnership.

Guidelines were formulated in consultation with the State Governments and Union Territories. Guidelines were also disseminated in Regional Workshops held at New Delhi, Kolkata and Goa during September-October, 2004. Response from the State Governments and union Territories has been encouraging.

(c): Does not arise.